

MRERP

Missouri River Ecosystem Restoration Plan and Environmental Impact Statement



One Team ■ One River ■ One Vision



Context and Scale

The Missouri River Challenge

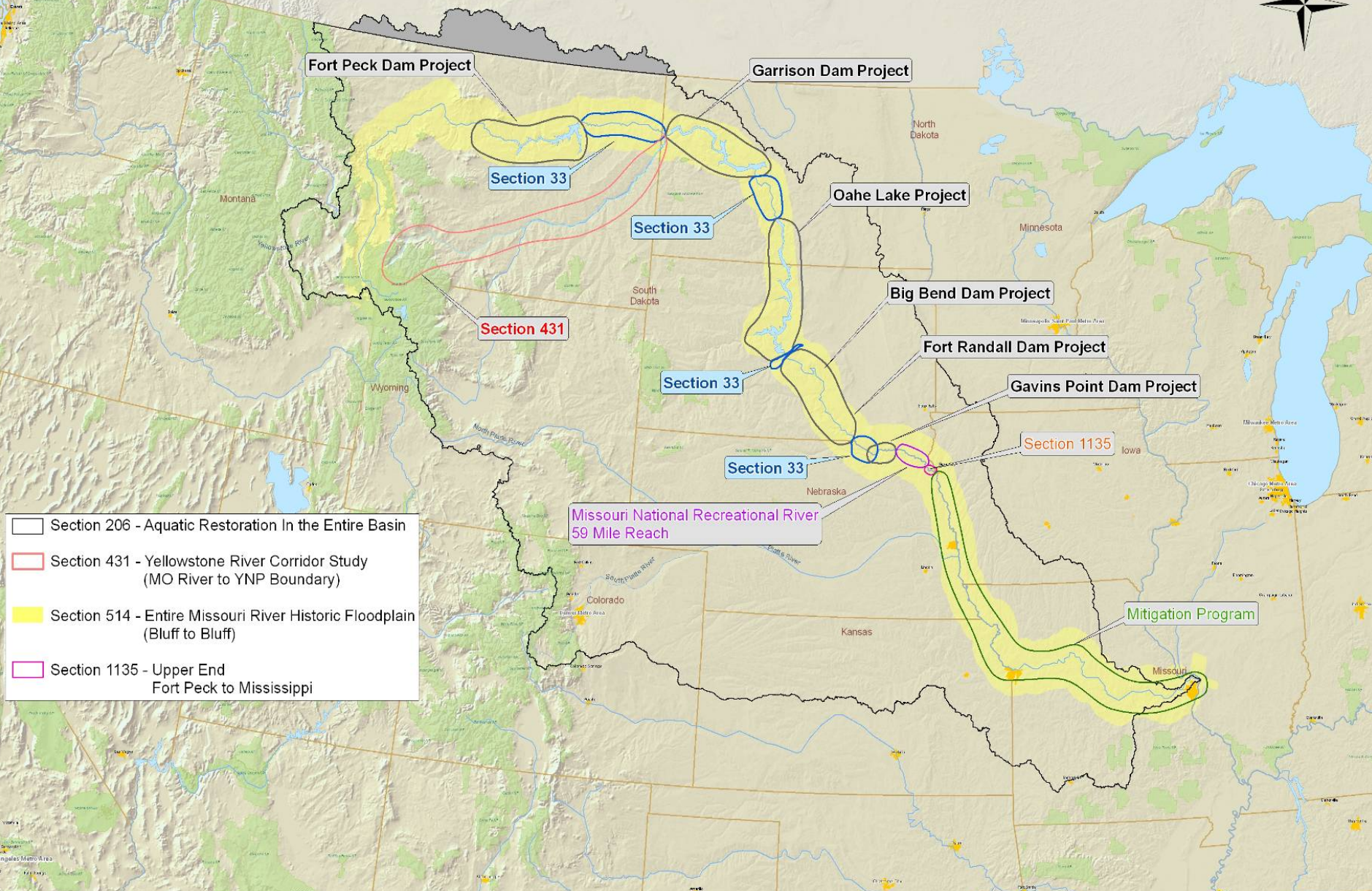
To meet restoration needs of the river, USACE complies with a variety of mandates and authorities including:

- Endangered Species Act
- Bank Stabilization and Navigation Project, Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project
- Section 1135
- Section 206
- Section 514
- Section 33
- Flood Control Acts
- Missouri River National Recreational River



Currently, many of these programs and their related activities are conducted independently.

Missouri River Ecosystem Restoration Plan/ EIS Programs and Authorities





Draft Ecosystem Restoration Plan Intent

The intent of this plan is to restore ecosystem functions, mitigate habitat losses, and recover native fish and wildlife, while seeking to enhance social, economic, and cultural values for future generations.

-- Subject to review via public outreach





Plan Objectives

- Create a collaborative future vision for Missouri River restoration and recovery
- Evaluate cumulative impacts to the human environment
- Identify long-term objectives, opportunities, management strategies and success measures
- Coordinate existing efforts with same or like objectives (synergy)
- Develop priorities to meet ecological objectives
- Avoid future conflicts with ESA





Role of Lead Agency

- Legal defense of study
- Army civil works regulations/processes
- Federal laws including NEPA

Key Distinctions

- Cooperators
- Government to government consultation
- MRRIC
- Requirements to engage the interested public
- Watershed approach





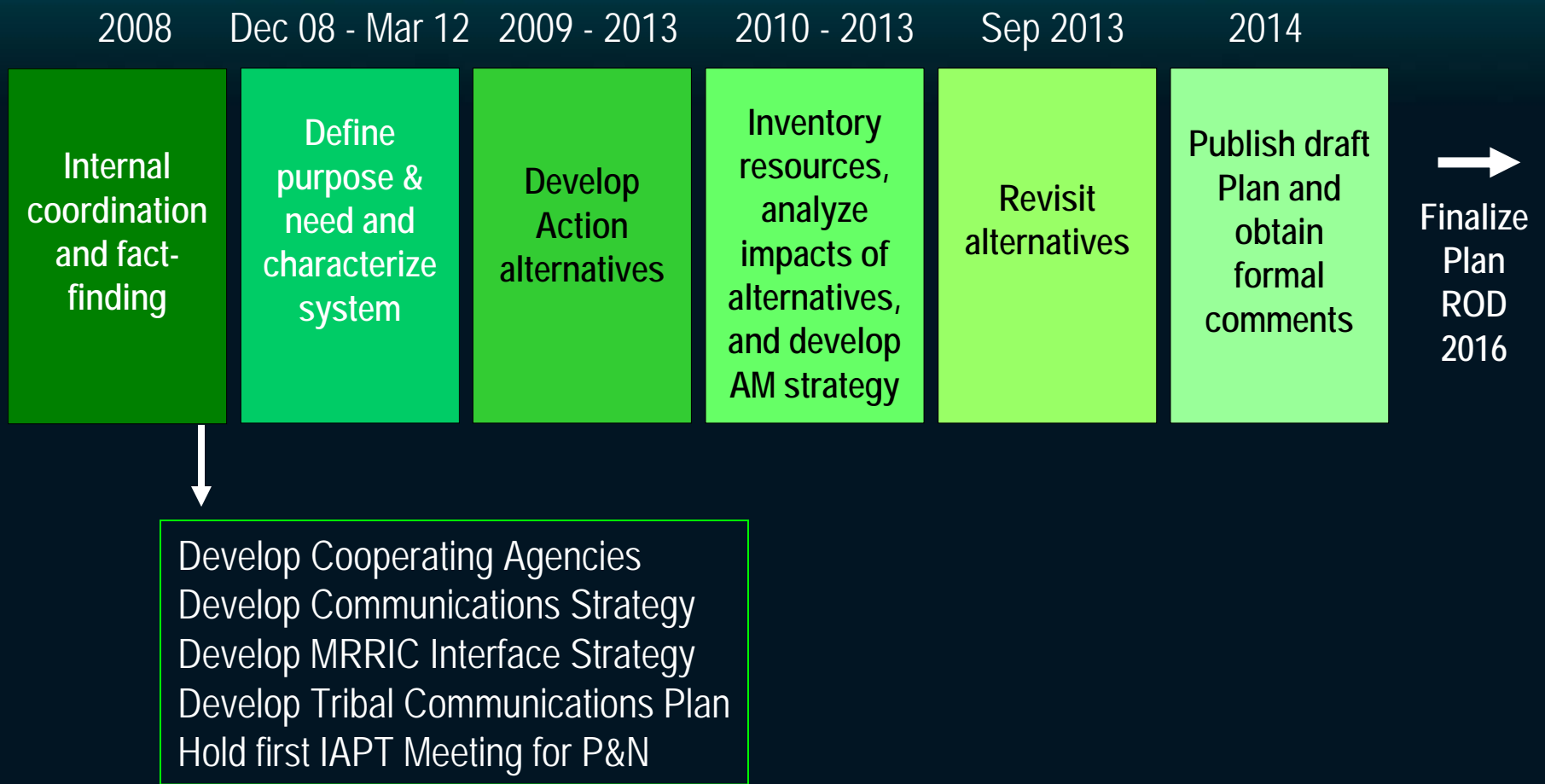
Outreach and Collaboration Efforts

- Dual district effort
- USFWS is partner agency
- Formal agency cooperators
- Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee (MRRIC) comprised of basin stakeholder and currently in development
- Public engagement





Timeline – Roadmap Forward





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